

LISTING OF THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended). An inoculum for application to plants, said inoculum comprising a carrier and an effective quantity of a biologically pure bacterial culture of bacteria, wherein the bacteria are selected from *Klebsiella pneumoniae* 342 (ATCC No. PTA-2743), and *Klebsiella pneumoniae* zmvsy (ATCC No. PTA-2741), and further wherein an effective quantity of a biologically pure bacterial culture is a quantity sufficient to enhance the growth of wheat, rice or corn~~said strains able to enhance the growth of plants.~~

2. (Canceled).

3. (Canceled).

4. (Previously Presented). A biologically pure bacterial culture wherein the bacteria is selected from *Klebsiella pneumoniae* 342 (ATCC No. PTA-2743) and *Klebsiella pneumoniae* zmvsy (ATCC No. PTA-2741).

5. (Cancelled).

6. (Canceled).

7. (Canceled).

8. (Canceled).

9. (Canceled).

10. (Canceled).

11. (Canceled).

12. (Canceled).

13. (Canceled).

14. (Canceled).

15. (Canceled).

16. (Canceled).

17. (Canceled).

18. (Canceled).

19. (Canceled).

20. (Canceled).